

OATH-BOUND BOYS DID NOT SIGN

Board Makes It Plain That
All Must Apologize.

GENERAL SHIPP'S LETTER

Large Crowd Assembles On Parade Grounds to Hear Decision.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, VA., November 13.—A large crowd of eager spectators gathered at the Virginia Military Institute this afternoon at dress parade to hear the result of the investigation of the Board of Visitors, with reference to the offending third class, which is given ten days in which to express regrets. Just what will be the final outcome cannot be stated. The class had a meeting to-night to consider what course they will pursue, but they will not discuss their plans.

Fourteen of fifteen of the class, the State cadets, presented individual requests to the Board of Visitors to withdraw their action in signing the paper sent to the superintendent, threatening to leave the school unless better food was promised. The board accepted their papers, and they are no longer a factor in the disturbance. Permission was given them to take this stand by the other members of the class, who realized that the State cadets, as beneficiaries of the State, had no right to complain of the food.

Bound By Oath.

There are some twenty odd cadets who are bound by some kind of secret oath to each other which they think prevents them from signing the paper expressing regrets of their mutinous conduct. The incidents leading to the present situation are: Late Saturday night, just before the board adjourned, a committee from the third class appeared before the board and presented a paper with sixty or seventy signatures which they desired to be received as expressing their willingness to withdraw their action. The board then asked the committee to sign the paper, although they threatened to sign it and would willingly sign it if they were free to do so. The board gave the committee to understand that the signatures of their classmates could not extend the provisions of the papers to those who refused to sign. The committee then asked to sign the paper, which permission was given as it in no way affected the standing of the class, since they were given ten days in which to sign or refuse. Each man must sign for himself.

General Shipp's Letter.

Following is the letter sent by General Shipp to parents or guardians of the boys of the third class:

"As soon as the record of testimony taken by the Board of Visitors at its meeting, November 9th to 11th, inclusive, bearing upon food conditions at cadets mess, can be printed, a copy will be sent you, some weeks hence. Your son (or ward), a member of the third class, together with the greater part of the class, is in an attitude of insubordination not assumed by members of the other three classes. The Board of Visitors requires that all members of the third class who signed the paper which constitutes the acts of insubordination, in violation of section 123 of the regulations, which section is herein below quoted, shall sign a paper about to this effect:

"To the Honorable Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute:

"The undersigned members of the third class desire to respectfully assure you that we regret our hasty and ill-considered action in signing our names to the paper dated November 2, 1905, addressed to the Adjutant, in which we threatened to resign in a body if our demand therein made was not complied with by a date named, and we desire to have it considered that our names are withdrawn from the paper and the paper withdrawn as far as possible.

Respectfully,

The great majority of the class have signed such a paper, but some fifteen or more (to be unknown) refuse to sign, saying they approve of the paper, and are unwilling to sign, but are restrained by some oath not to sign. Those who have signed, will not agree to be bound by their signatures unless the fifteen or more, who say they are bound by some kind of oath, are put upon same footing with those who have signed. This contention of the board of visitors has refused to admit or accept. Every conceivable effort has been made and is being made to bring your son to a proper sense of obligation and duty. The attitude of the fifteen or more above referred to is senseless and absurd. The subjoined order of the board of visitors requires that all who may have submitted their signature before the expiration of ten days from this date shall be dismissed.

This simple statement, with the order of the board, is submitted for your consideration, that you may have opportunity to bring your son to his senses before it be too late. On Thursday, November 24th, and the order of dismissal will be published on (if, unfortunately, such an order should prove necessary) Friday, November 25th. The attitude of those who refuse to sign is simply the attitude of those who have taken an oath not to sign. They admit that they were wrong in signing the paper, which is the foundation of their trouble; they say that they would sign the paper they are required to sign but for the fact of the oath they have taken. Their position, then, is that they consider their obligation to an oath in the sight of God that prevents them from making formal acknowledgment of a wrong done, and from doing what they recognize right. This position of theirs is to determine the fate of themselves and their classmates. An earnest appeal is made to parents to lend their aid to bring these misguided young men to reason."

Action of Board.

The order published at dress parade was as follows:

Headquarters Virginia Military Institute, November 13, 1905.

General Orders, No. 11:

Section 1. The following action and orders of the board of visitors is announced for the information of all concerned:

"Whereas the board has fully considered the action of a large number of the cadets of the corps in going beyond the limits, contrary to regulations, on the first day of November, 1905, and is satisfied that the same was intended merely

THE GOOD THINGS OF EARTH

Are Not All Far-Fetched.

That our American forests abound in plants the roots of which possess the most valuable medicinal and curative virtues, is abundantly attested by scores of the most eminent medical writers and teachers of our age. Even the untutored Indians, who have lived in the interior of this continent, have discovered the usefulness of many native plants before the advent of the white race on this continent. This information, crude though it was, has been transmitted from the Indians to the whites, and the latter to continue investigations until today we have a rich assortment of most valuable American medicinal roots and herbs.

It is no longer thought necessary that a medicinal agent, in order to be good and useful, must have been brought across the ocean or that "being carried seven times across the Sahara Desert on the backs of fourteen camels" makes it the more valuable.

Dr. Pierce believes that our American forests abound in most valuable medicinal roots for the cure of most of our chronic and most fatal diseases, if we would properly investigate them; and, in confirmation of this firm conviction, he points with pride to the "Golden Medical Discovery," which has proven itself to be the most efficient stomach tonic, liver invigorator, heart tonic and regulator, and blood cleanser known in modern medicine.

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You don't have to rely solely upon the manufacturer's word, so as to buy power, as other medicines sold through druggists. You have the *disinterested* testimony of a host of the leading medical writers and teachers. Send for this copious testimony. It can be relied upon to be truthful because it is *entirely disinterested*.

From the little booklet above mentioned, you will learn what a marvelous curative medicine, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, exercises over the heart and its diseases, especially those valvular affections which are attended with diffi-

cult breathing, smothered tensions, palpitation or irregular heart action. Dr. Pierce, author of *Pain's* Brompton of Medicine, considered Stone root specific in these cases, and cites had cases cured by it in his extensive practice. Dr. H. W. Hales, another prominent and experienced of Dr. Pierce's "Discovery," is also a valuable heart tonic, as is also Black Cherrybark, another ingredient. You will also find that the eminent Dr. Hale, Ellingwood, Johnson, Hare, Coe and others recommend Golden Seal root, and several of them Stone root, Queen's root, Bloodroot and Black Cherrybark for bronchial, throat and lung affections attended with hoarseness, persistent cough, night-sweats and kindred symptoms indicating approaching consumption. All these agents are faithfully and fully represented in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and it can be confidently relied upon to produce their combined curative effects, not only in the above mentioned affection, but in all catarrhal diseases, no matter whether affecting the nasal passages or other regions of the body.

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The "Golden Medical Discovery" must not be expected to cure every ailment. While it is especially suited for the cure of all chronic, lingering coughs that are curable, it is not so effective in acute colds and coughs unless slippery elm mucilage, dissolved in tea, is given in addition, or other mucilaginous demulcent be drank freely in connection with its use. Nor must the "Discovery" be expected to cure consumption in its advanced stages. In its early stages it will stay its progress and often effect a cure if its use be persisted in for a reasonable length of time. Send for the little book now above and learn what those most eminent in the medical profession say of the ingredients out of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are made and thereby learn why they cure obstinate diseases.

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A good medical book, written in plain English, and free from technical terms, is a valuable work for frequent consultation. Such a work is Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. In plain English, or Medical Simplified, is a book of 1008 pages, profusely illustrated with wood cuts and colored plates. It is given away now, although formerly sold in cloth binding for \$1.50. Send 21 cents in one-cent stamps to pay for mailing only for paper-covered copy, addressing Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.; or 31 cents for an elegantly cloth-bound copy. It gives over 200 prescriptions for the treatment of acute and chronic ailments.

(so far as they were authorized to state it) to maintain their attitude of combination against the observance of the regulations and the defiance of the control of the authorities of the institute; and,

Whereas, said committee stated that they did not desire, nor did the said signers, as they understood, desire to make any further communication to the board on the subject, notwithstanding repeated and kind efforts made by members of the board in the conference to have the members of the committee recede from the grave nature of the offense perpetrated in by said signers; and,

Whereas, the conduct of said signers, persisted in after ample time for deliberation and after exhausting every effort to change their attitude, presents a condition of insubordination consistent with the continued existence of the Virginia Military Institute, it permitted to continue without proper penalty, and

Apology or Dismissal.

Whereas, the only adequate penalty for such persistence in such insubordinate conduct is dismissal, and

Whereas, the board is satisfied that most of the said signers who still persist in their conduct, originally acted hastily, in excitement, and really appreciate their error, but are influenced to persist therein by a few designing members of their class, and also influenced by a mistaken idea of their duty to adhere to the other members of their class, even if in wrong; now, therefore, the board

Resolves, That each of the said signers of the said paper, who has not already in writing explained, withdrawn and in substance regretted his action, be given notice that for ten days from November 15, 1905, he is granted the opportunity to do so in writing; that those who do not do so in writing within said ten days be dismissed; that proper penalties, but not dismissal, be imposed upon those cadets of the third class who so violated the regulations, but have in writing acknowledged their error, such penalty to consist of confinement to limits for sixty days.

It is directed that this action be promptly announced in orders.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy from the record of the board of visitors November 11, 1905.

(Signed) W. T. POAGUE, Secretary.

Section 3. In compliance with the foregoing orders of the board of visitors, the withdrawal of the privileges of the Virginia Military Institute, November 2, 1905, is hereby revoked, except in the cases of those members of the third class who signed the paper of November 2d, above mentioned, and who have not already submitted satisfactory written withdrawal.

By command of Brigadier-General Shipp, H. E. HYATT, Adjutant, W. M. I.

Mess Hall Diners.

Among the gentlemen who took meals recently at the cadet mess hall and who expressed themselves as pleased with the quality and service were State Trustees A. W. Harnett, Jr., a military graduate of the school; P. J. White, an eminent architect of Richmond, who has a son at the institute, and H. D. Flood, member of Congress from the Tenth District, who has a nephew in the third class.

Work Union Facts.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FORK UNION, VA., November 13.—Miss Katie McGee, of the faculty of the Fork Union Academy, has been invited to give a recital at New Canton, Mr. Russell Griffin, of this section, killed two wild turkeys in one day last week.

The Fork Union team laundry is now in full blast, getting a large business. The literary society this session of the Fork Union Academy has a large membership. Their meetings are very interesting and are attended by a number of people from the community.

DR. L. R. CHILES UNDER ARREST

Charged With Malpractice Upon a Girl Expected to Die.

CONTEST FOR ADJUTANT GEN.

Government Engineers Inspect the Proposed Inland Waterway.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., November 13.—Dr. L. R. Chiles was arraigned in the Police Court to-day, charged with performing a criminal operation on Miss Sarah Atkinson, and confined without bail for ten days. Miss Atkinson, fearing that she was about to die, made an ante-mortem statement, incriminating Dr. Chiles for the operation and James E. Franklin for aiding and abetting him. She says she went to Dr. Chiles's office one day and made an arrangement to go to his house the next day, where the operation was performed and the \$35 was paid by Franklin. Franklin and the young woman came from Bedford county and have known one another for years. He has been calling on her here for two years. He is a car inspector for the Norfolk and Western Railway, and her father is a car builder for the same road, and both live at Lambert's Point. Franklin was released from jail to-day on a bond of \$1500.

Dr. Chiles was the Readjuster Mayor of Manchester thirty-five years ago, whence he moved to Kempville, Princess Anne county, and continued his activity in politics till he came here, eighteen years ago. He was on the health board here with Dr. J. G. Riddick, Mayor of Norfolk, after which he became a great partisan of Dr. Riddick and assisted him in his campaign for the mayoralty. He was not rewarded with the office of health commissioner, however, and since then he has not been active in politics, and is said to have resented the failure of his political aspirations and benefices to put him into the office. He was married recently; is seventy years of age, and has a son by a former marriage, who is forty years of age.

Dr. Chiles denies that he performed a criminal operation, but admitted this morning the knowledge of the operation and Mr. Franklin. He says, however, that his attorney has forbidden him to talk about the case. Mr. Franklin denies that he is responsible for the condition of Miss Atkinson, or that he knew anything about it. The victim's statement is in the possession of Justice Whitehurst.

THE INLAND WATERWAY.

The Inland Waterway Board, which will inspect the right of way between Norfolk and Beaufort, N. C. to report to Congress upon the cost and desirability of constructing an inland waterway, assembled here this morning, and after conference with Captain E. Eveleigh Winslow, United States engineer in charge here, left on the Norfolk and Southern train for Edenton, N. C. Senator Simmons and Congressman Smith, both of North Carolina, will meet the board at Edenton. The members of the board are Colonel S. C. Leach, of Washington, D. C.; Captain C. A. F. Flagler, of Wilmington, Del., and Captain G. P. Howell, of Charleston, S. C., all of the engineer corps, United States Army.

After the hearing at Edenton the board will go to Elizabeth City, where another hearing will be held. Then the board will embark on the department steam yacht, *McGregor*, and come through the Diamond Swamp Canal to Norfolk, arriving here tomorrow afternoon. President of Norfolk's Business Men's Association William T. Anderson is arranging to entertain them.

Wednesday morning the board will go through the Albemarle and Pamlico Canals inspecting proposed routes between Norfolk and Beaufort south of Albemarle Sound.

FOR ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

The contest for the appointment to the office of adjutant-general of the State militia is interesting. There are four candidates in the field. Three military officers are opposing General Nalle, the incumbent, who is again after office. Captain T. A. Johnson, formerly commanding Company C, Seventy-first Virginia Infantry, of Newport News, is Nalle's only aspirant for the office which pays \$3,000 annually. Major C. Gray Boileux and Captain R. L. Masurier, of Richmond, are the two other candidates. Colonel A. M. Higgins, of Norfolk, commanding the Seventy-first Virginia, has been mentioned for the appointment, but the colonel has pledged his support to General Nalle and is working in his behalf.

NEW ITALIAN CHURCH.

Benedict Bishop Van de Vyver and Father Guzzardi, Father Doherty, of St. Mary's Church, Norfolk, which was formerly attended by Italians, was also present at the large meeting of the new Italian congregation last night. In addition to administering the benediction and blessed sacrament, Bishop Van de Vyver spoke at length to the congregation, dwelling particularly upon the loyalty of the Italian people to the Catholic Church, and upon Italy as one of the greatest of the Catholic countries. He spoke encouragingly of the work of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkeley Italians, and bespoke a further courageous and industrious endeavor in establishing their own firm footing. He was heard with great interest and pleasure by the large congregation, which included a number of the members of the other churches and also Protestants. This visit of the bishop to the Italians of this section will long be a pleasant memory.

Father Guzzardi left to-day for New York for a recuperative trip of two weeks, he having been sick recently.

SHOT BY OWN PISTOL.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., November 13.—Deputy Sheriff W. S. Hubert, of Portsmouth, was shot with his own pistol this morning. He was removing a pistol from his pocket when it fell to the floor, struck the hammer and exploded. The ball went through his left leg and shattered a bone. He weeps, even if he does not lose the leg.

Miss Hattie Wadley, cashier in the postoffice, and the daughter of the late Colonel John R. Wadley, postmaster of Norfolk, lies at her home in Colonial Avenue as the result of a paralytic stroke. She attended to her duties as

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Women's Ribbed Merino Vests and Pants, medium or heavy weight.....	75c
Women's Merino or Silk and Cotton Vests and Pants, either weight.....	\$1.00
Women's Merino Wool or Silk and Wool Vests and Pants, Swiss or American.....	\$1.25
Women's Plain White Merino Vests and Pants, non-shrinkable.....	\$1.25 to \$2.00
Women's Ribbed Silk Vests and Pants, handsome garments.....	\$1.50 to \$3.50
Women's Union Suits, any weight or quality, at.....	\$1.00 to \$1.50
Infants' White Merino Wrappers, all sizes, at.....	50c each to 75c
Infants' White Ribbed Cashmere or Silk and Wool Wrappers.....	75c to \$1.25
Children's Ribbed Cotton Vests and Pants, good and substantial.....	25c
Children's Ribbed or Plain Merino Vests and Pants, all sizes.....	50c
Children's Ribbed or Plain Wool Vests and Pants, all sizes.....	75c
Children's Ribbed Union Suits, all sizes.....	75c each to \$1.25
Children's White Merino Shirts and Drawers, absolutely unshrinkable; a boon to mothers.....	.00c to \$1.25

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Guaranteed Black Taffetas, 36-inch, water and perspiration proof, a fine, smooth weave, very soft and extra heavy.....	\$1.25
Chiffon Gros Grain soft and lustrous, for mourning, 22-inch, at.....	\$1.00
Chiffon Beau de Soie, another fine mourning texture, 22-inch, at.....	\$1.00

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usual on Saturday, but it is in a critical condition to-day.

Captain and Mrs. Heather, of the Salvation Army, have been transferred from here to Baltimore, because the receipts of the post here were sufficient only to allow him a salary of six dollars a week. The hotel belonged to G. A. Darter, and was in charge of George H. Mays and B. M. Alley. It was a three-story building, and the leading hotel of Gate City.

FIRE AT GATE CITY.

Hotel, Store and Two Law Offices Destroyed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
GATE CITY, VA., November 13.—The Myrtle Hotel with nearly all its furnishings, two law offices and a family grocery store, were destroyed by fire here at 5 o'clock this morning. The fire originated from the kitchen range, the boy having lit a fire and left it. The loss is seven thousand dollars, with three thousand in insurance.

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